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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**ART UNIT: 3891**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial No.: 09/755,747  
Filing Date: 01/05/2001  
Applicants: Brookes et al.  
Title: **DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID POLYMORPHISM**

Group Art Unit: 1637  
Examiner: Fredman, J.  
Atty. Docket: 40225000

**TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**(37 CFR §1.114)**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This request for continued examination of the above-noted application includes:

- Submission of documents (37 CFR §1.114(a), (c))
  - The submission consists of the enclosed Response.
- Fee (37 CFR §1.114(a), §1.17(e)):
  - The fee of \$856 is calculated on the following basis:

**RCE FEE** (Taking account of preexisting claims and any amendments made in the submission)

For	No. Filed	No. Extra	Rate (SMALL ENTITY)	Fee (SMALL ENTITY)
Basic Fee			\$385	\$385
Total Claims	58 - 20 =	38	x \$9 =	\$342
Independent Claims	6 - 3 =	3	x \$43 =	\$129
Total:				\$856

**NOTE:** Small entity status has previously been specified in this application, and is continuing

- A Form PTO-2038 authorizing a charge to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

**AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ACCOUNT:** The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR §1.16, or any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 18-2055; and to credit any overpayment to that account.

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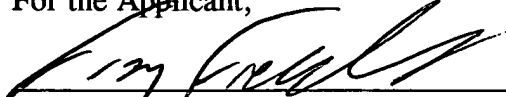
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If any questions regarding the application arise, please contact the undersigned attorney. Telephone calls related to this application are welcomed and encouraged.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Response to Final Office Action of 9 October 2003
- PTO-2038 (\$856)